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portion 212 and terminal 210. When controller 108 of terminal device 10 accepts the notification transmitted from hard disk 21 via hard disk interface portion 110 and bus BS2, it issues a request, which requests output of the log stored in log memory 253 of hard disk 21 to hard disk 20, to hard disk 21 via bus BS2 and hard disk interface portion 110 (step S311). Controller 214 of hard disk 21 accepts the output request for the log via terminal 210 and ATA controller 212 (step S312). Similarly to step S301a in hard disk 20, copying of the log is performed (step S213a <u>\$312a</u>). In this copying operation, it is determined whether log memory 253 has stored the log including the LID accepted in step S309 or not. If stored, the stored log including the LID is copied to bank na storing the earliest log in log memory 253, and a variable ERRa is set to "false". If log memory 253 has not stored the log including LID accepted in step S309, variable ERRa is set to "true". Specific operations in step S312a are performed in accordance with the flowchart of Fig. 16. For distinguishing the processing in hard disk 21 from the results of similar processing in hard disk 20, variable n is represented as variable na, and variable ERR is represented as variable ERRa. Thus, in the flowchart of Fig. 12 corresponding to step S112b in Fig. 16, variable n is replaced with variable na, and variable ERR is replaced with variable ERRa.

with the following paragraph:

Controller 214 determines the results of processing in step S312a, and thus determines whether ERRa is "true" or "false" (step \$3212b \text{S312b}). If the result is "false", this represents that the log including accepted LID was copied to bank na so that the operation moves to a next step S313 for starting the processing responding to the re-transmission request. If the result is